

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: SoonHo Kim, *et al.*  
Application No.: 10/775,772  
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Group Art Unit: 1756  
Examiner: Stephen D. Rosasco

For: **PHOTOMASKS INCLUDING SHADOWING ELEMENTS THEREIN AND  
RELATED METHODS AND SYSTEMS**

September 21, 2006

Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

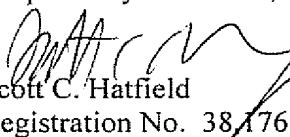
This response is submitted in reply to the Official Action dated August 28, 2006 ("the Action"). In the Action, the Examiner required a restriction for:

- Group I. Claims 1-38, drawn to a mask and method of making, classified in class 430, subclass 5.
- Group II. Claims 39-54, drawn to a method of making a semiconductor device using a mask, classified in class 430, subclass 311.
- Group III. Claims 55-70, drawn to a system for producing a semiconductor device, classified in class 355.

Applicant hereby provisionally elects Claim 1-38 of Group I. Applicant respectfully submits that this application is now in condition for substantive examination, which action is requested. Moreover, this election is made without prejudice to the Applicants' right to pursue non-elected claims in a divisional application.

If any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.


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